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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicant : Dickory Rudduck  
Application No. : 09/646,741 Confirmation No. : 5912  
Filed : September 18, 2000  
For : FIXING AND RELEASE SYSTEMS  
Group Art Unit : 3672  
Examiner : Kenneth L. Thompson

Commissioner for Patents  
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This Reply is in response to the Office Action mailed September 10, 2004, having a three-month shortened period of response set to expire by December 10, 2004. Applicant has submitted herewith a petition for a three-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action, thereby extending the deadline to March 10, 2005. Please amend the above referenced application as follows.

**Amendments of the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this Reply.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this Reply.

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